



## PHOTO INSTRUCTIONS FOR IMMIGRANT VISAS

From July 12, 2004, we are going to issue machine-readable visa (MRV) for immigrant visa applicants. You are requested to submit three photographs and make sure that the photograph comply with the following specifications for all applicants:

- **The photograph must be an unmounted full-face photo taken within the last six months. The photograph must be full front view, taken facing the camera – no side or angled views are acceptable.**
- **The photograph should measure 2 inches square (roughly 50 mm square) with the head centered in the frame. The head (measured from the top of the hair to the bottom of the chin) should measure between 1 inch to 1 3/8 inches (28 mm and 35 mm) from the bottom of the photo.**
- **The photograph may either be in color or black and white, but must have only a plain white background. Photos with colored, dark or patterned backgrounds will not be accepted. Photos should be printed without borders.**
- **For persons wearing glasses, there must be no reflection around the eyes; photos with reflections will not be accepted. Head coverings are acceptable only due to religious beliefs and then only when the applicant's face is completely exposed. Photographs of applicants wearing tribal and other headgear not specifically religious in nature are not acceptable. Also photographs of military, airline and other personnel in uniforms are not acceptable.**

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